

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled).
2. (Previously Presented) A method comprising:
receiving a first designation of a particular portion of a body of source code;
receiving a second designation of an association of the particular portion of the body of source code with commentary related to the particular portion of the body of source code;
receiving a third designation of a set of intended readers of the commentary; and
making the commentary and the particular portion of the body of source code accessible to only the set of intended readers, wherein the set of intended readers is designated by a user's selecting the set of intended readers from a set of potential intended readers, and wherein the set of potential intended readers is acquired by accessing a directory service.
3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
receiving a fourth designation of a particular time period during which the commentary will be available, wherein the commentary and the particular portion of the body of source code are accessible to the set of intended readers during the particular time period.
4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
sending a notification to at least one subset of the set of intended readers to notify the at least one subset of the set of intended readers that the commentary is available.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 4, wherein the notification includes copies of the commentary and the particular portion of the body of source code.
6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 4, wherein the notification is sent to the at least one subset of the set of intended readers via electronic mail.
7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the second designation is represented in the form of at least one tag in a markup language,
wherein the at least one tag is embedded within the body of source code.
8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
generating, from the body of source code, a second body of source code that is capable of being compiled by a compiler.
9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
formatting the commentary and the particular portion of the body of source code for display to a user.
10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the particular portion of the body of source code is one of a subroutine, a line of code, a variable, an identifier, and a source code comment.
11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the commentary and the body of source code are recorded within a configuration management system, and
wherein the commentary is made available to the set of intended readers by presenting the commentary along with the body of source code in response to a checking-out of the body of source code by one of the set of intended readers.
12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the method is executed in an integrated development environment.

13. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the method is executed from a program having a command-line interface.

14-29. (Canceled).